



# Sahuaro Weekly Update

*"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."*



Vice Mayor Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

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**Glendale Offers Free Energy-Saving Devices.** Make a resolution for an energy efficient home in 2012 – register for an energy class offered by the city of Glendale and receive free energy-saving devices to help reach that goal. Get easy tips for saving energy at the classes that are offered over the next several months.

Glendale residency and pre-registration is required for the FREE device classes.

**Upcoming classes:**

- **Thursday, Jan. 26, 6 p.m.**  
Foothills Branch Library  
19055 N. 57th Ave.
- **Saturday, Jan. 28, 12:30 p.m.**  
Glendale Public Library,  
5959 W. Brown St.
- **Tuesday, Feb. 21, 6 p.m.**  
Rose Lane Community Center  
51<sup>st</sup> and Marlette Aves.
- **Saturday, March 3, 12:30 p.m.**  
Glendale Public Library  
5959 W. Brown St.

To register, call 623-930-3760  
or e-mail [bpatrick@glendaleaz.com](mailto:bpatrick@glendaleaz.com).

## Neighborhood Dialogue with Vice Mayor Frate

Dear Sahuaro District Residents,

I will be hosting an informal neighborhood meeting for residents living in the Sahuaro District on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, from 5:30-7 p.m., at Arrowhead Towne Center (just outside the Sears store, on the lower level.)

Please stop by, enjoy some light refreshments, and discuss your ideas or suggestions for Glendale. The casual atmosphere will allow you to stay for a few minutes or longer as time permits. For more information, call the City Council Office at (623) 930-2016.

— Vice Mayor Steve Frate

**Glendale Debt Management Plan.** The Debt Management Plan of the city is an analysis of the City's overall debt structure. This is a plan that is updated on an annual basis and provides City Council and Management with valuable information for planning purposes.

To view the Debt Management Plan discussed at the Jan. 3 Council Workshop, click the following link: <http://www.glendaleaz.com/finance/documents/DMP.PDF>

**Neighborhood Legislative Link.** The City of Glendale Legislative Link program provides residents the critical information they need to stay informed about what is happening at the legislature and how bills could affect their neighborhoods and community. For more information, including how to sign up to receive regular updates, [click here](#).

**Glendale Presents the 2012 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Day Luncheon.** Each year in January, Glendale honors Dr. King and his ideals with a luncheon that brings the community together in celebration of King's work and the on-going efforts to promote a society that is just, peaceful and understanding. The luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m., Friday, Jan. 13, at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive. This year's event features keynote speaker, Freedom Rider Jim Zwerg and emcee, ABC 15's Susan Casper.

Reservations for the 2012 Unity Day Luncheon are \$40 per person. Tables of 10 can be reserved for \$400. Seats may be purchased by calling 623-930-2050. The luncheon is considered one of the state's premier celebrations of King's life and ideals. For more information regarding this event, visit [www.glendaleaz.com/unityday](http://www.glendaleaz.com/unityday).

**Promoting Inclusiveness Award Winner.** Randolph Stephen Elias Lumm, Maricopa Community College District board president, has been committed to ensuring educational access for everyone in Maricopa County regardless of a student's ethnic background, religion or economic status.

On Jan. 13, Lumm will be recognized by the city of Glendale for his dedication to diversity and inclusiveness. Lumm will join a prestigious list of Promoting Inclusiveness awardees that continue Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s work of promoting a society that is "just, peaceful and understanding." The award will be presented at the city's annual Unity Day Luncheon. [Read more.](#)

**Shred It & Forget It.** Glendale's Community Action Teams and Cabela's are proud to offer free document shredding to the community to help combat identity theft. Credit card offers, tax returns, medical bills and old bank statements should be shredded rather than simply thrown in the trash. The "Shred It & Forget It" events scheduled throughout the year offer a fast, convenient, drive-thru shredding service. Each vehicle can bring up to five standard-size file boxes of documents for secure shredding. This event will also include a safe way to discard small appliances and electronics. Bring computers, laptops, hard drives as well as toasters, microwaves, TVs or VCRs – anything that plugs in – all will be crushed on site! The event is from 7 to 11 a.m. (or until trucks are at capacity) on Tuesday, Jan. 24 at Cabela's, 9380 W. Glendale Ave., in the northeast parking lot. For more information, call 623-930-4030.

**Glendale A to Z Debuts.** Television viewers can sit in their living rooms and learn everything they need to know about the city of Glendale in a new TV show called "Glendale A to Z." Produced by the staff of the city's award winning television station, Glendale 11, the program covers numerous service-related topics from how to find a city park and rent a ramada to the do's and don'ts of the city landfill.

"Glendale A to Z" touches numerous city departments with information such as how to get a library card, the process of getting a building permit, volunteering in the city and specifics on the city's landscape rebate program. The show's premise is a Glendale information directory made for TV.

"Glendale A to Z" will debut Sunday, Jan. 8 at 8 p.m. and can be seen on Glendale 11 TV at various times throughout the week. Online viewers can watch it at [www.glendaleaz.com/video](http://www.glendaleaz.com/video). For more information about Glendale 11 TV, [click here](#).

## Around Town

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**Small Business Counseling With SCORE, Saturday, January 7.** Free business counseling by appointment is available from SCORE between 12:15 – 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, January 7 in the small meeting room at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown Street. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) advises on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. The counseling is free. For more information and to schedule an appointment with a SCORE representative, call 602-745-7250.

**Glendale Glitter and Glow Block Party - Jan. 14, 2012.** Glow, baby, glow! Glendale Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter and Glow, on Jan. 14, from 4-11 p.m. with fun for the whole family!

Thousands of people are expected to stroll along 16 blocks of closed streets in Historic Downtown Glendale, watch 20 tethered hot-air balloons gently expand as pilots fire them up, and enjoy 11 different bands performing rock, blues, country and pop music. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Health and Wellness Fair.** Bring the whole family to the Health and Wellness Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28 at Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. A wide variety of health and wellness vendors will be on hand with information to help you start the new year off right!

**Free SAT Practice Test.** Teens ages 14-18 who are preparing for college entrance exams can take a Kaplan SAT practice test at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 4 at Foothills Library, 19055 N. 57<sup>th</sup> Ave. A week later, (Feb. 11 at 2 p.m.) get your scores back and receive useful feedback at the Kaplan Strategy Seminar. To reserve your seat, visit [www.kaptest.com/college](http://www.kaptest.com/college) or call 1-800-KAP-TEST.

**Free SAT Practice Test.** Teens ages 14-19 can experience the SAT under true-to-life testing conditions at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11 at Velma Teague Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Test-takers will have the opportunity to learn more about the SAT and test-taking strategies. For researching college and financial aid options, attend the free follow-up strategy session (Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m.). Register for both events by calling 1-800-2REVIEW or online at [www.PrincetonReview.com](http://www.PrincetonReview.com).

**22nd Annual Antique Tractor Show.** Join us for the Tractor Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11 and Sunday, Feb. 12 at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 N. 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Enjoy tractor pulls, displays and more. The cost is \$5 per person, ages 12 and under are free. Presented by the Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association. For more information, call 623-930-4200.

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